

**SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**HEARING OFFICER DIRECTIVE**

**DOCKET NO. 2016-79-C**

**ORDER NO. 2016-42-H**

**APRIL 25, 2016**

**Hearing Officer: David Butler**

**DOCKET DESCRIPTION:**

**Complaint and Petition for Relief of South Carolina Net, Incorporated d/b/a Spirit Communications v. BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC d/b/a AT&T South Carolina**

**MATTER UNDER CONSIDERATION:**

**Request for Extension of Pre-filing Dates for Rebuttal and Surrebuttal Testimony**

**HEARING OFFICER'S ACTION:**

**Bellsouth Telecommunications, LLC d/b/a AT&T South Carolina ("AT&T"), the Respondent in this case, has filed a request for an extension of time for pre-filing Rebuttal and Surrebuttal testimony and exhibits in this complaint matter, with the consent of South Carolina Net, Incorporated, d/b/a Spirit Communications, the Complainant. At present, Spirit is due to file Rebuttal Testimony and Exhibits on April 28, 2016, and AT&T is due to file Surrebuttal Testimony and Exhibits on May 5, 2016. AT&T requests that Spirit be allowed to pre-file Rebuttal testimony and exhibits on May 5, 2016, and that AT&T be allowed to pre-file Surrebuttal testimony and exhibits on May 12, 2016. Both Spirit and AT&T agree on these extended dates. The Office of Regulatory Staff is a party to the case, but has elected not to file testimony or present a witness in this case, so ORS was not consulted on this proposal to extend the remaining pre-filing dates.**

**The request is granted as filed, so that Spirit may pre-file Rebuttal Testimony and Exhibits on May 5, 2016 and AT&T may pre-file Surrebuttal Testimony and Exhibits on May 12, 2016. The Hearing Officer is aware of some outstanding discovery in this case that makes it logical to request the extensions. Spirit and AT&T will continue, however, to be bound by the Instructions on pre-filing Rebuttal and Surrebuttal Testimony as found in the document issued by the Commission's Clerk's Office on March 2, 2016.**